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ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

10 A control system for a compact disc jukebox detects skips in the compact disc  
by reading an apparent elapsed time signal from the compact disc that is encoded on  
the compact disc. A timer is simultaneously started and outputs a real elapsed time  
signal. A comparison is made between the real elapsed time signal and the apparent  
elapsed time signal. If the difference between these two signals exceeds a  
predetermined amount of time, a skip is recorded. The detection of a skip may be  
recorded as to a particular selection on a particular CD, along with the time of the  
skip. Appropriate action may be taken in response to the recording of a skip, such as  
15 cancelling the selection or stopping the CD.